

## SILVER GOOD FOR SEVEN YEARS

That the price of silver will not go below one dollar per ounce within the next seven years, and probably for some time after that, is some of the good news brought to Nevada by Ray T. Baker, director of the United States mint, who is here en route to San Francisco for the annual accounting of the mint at that place.

In accordance with the terms of the Pittman silver bill," said Baker today, "I have melted 270,000,000 silver dollars, and of this amount 200,000,000 ounces have been shipped abroad, mostly to India, having been purchased by England for the Indian account in the war with Germany.

"Up to the present time I have not purchased a single ounce of silver to replace the silver that has been melted and shipped abroad.

The Pittman silver bill provides that 200,000,000 ounces of silver shall be melted for shipment abroad and other purposes, and that it shall be replaced by silver purchased from American producers at a price not less than one dollar an ounce. To replace this silver, should I purchase every ounce produced in the United States, would require at least five years. But it would be utterly impossible for the government to purchase all the silver produced in the United States. For this reason it will require a somewhat longer period of time than five years. My estimate is that the price of silver will be stabilized at one dollar an ounce for at least seven years.

"This, of course, is based on the assumption that congress does not repeal the Pittman silver bill. And my judgment, based on personal observations at Washington and my relations with leaders in congress, is that such a contingency is not at all likely to arise.

"Whether, or whatever element, attempts to repeal the Pittman bill or endeavors to fix the price of silver is going to run up against a snag that cannot be overcome.

The total production of silver in the entire world last year was about 158,000,000 ounces and of this the United States produced 77,000,000 ounces. These are the figures in con-

nection with the silver situation. The Pittman bill provides that the silver to replace that melted under the terms of the bill shall be purchased in the United States. Practically all the silver produced in the United States in the next five years would be required to complete the replacement, and that is the basis for my statement that silver will not go below a dollar an ounce in the next seven years."

Baker said today that he has instructed the mints to take silver July 1 at the prevailing market price, less the fraction, which now is ranging about \$1.05 and \$1.10 an ounce. When the price drops to \$1 an ounce he will begin buying under the Pittman bill immediately.

### COMPANY GIVES IN TO CLAIMS OF CARMEN

Complete settlement of the threatened traction company strike was effected in Reno at a meeting of the company representatives and employees. The company agreed to all the demands of the men and averted what threatened to be a tying up of the car line.

The new scale will go into effect July 1 and the carmen will now receive 40 cents an hour for the first three months of work, 45 for the next three months, 45 for the next six months and 50 for time after that. They were formerly getting 27 to start with and 35 after two years.

### ARMY CAPTAIN ARRESTED

A. D. Edison, who was recently discharged from the service and who won signal distinction in the army, having risen from a private to the rank of captain, was arrested and taken to Huron, S. D., by Deputy Sheriff J. W. Boyle of that place. Edison had been working on the Molly Vista ranch, near Death, and made no resistance to his return. It is alleged that while serving in Texas he issued a check for \$50 on a bank in Huron in which he had no funds.

### REWARD OFFERED

Tonopah, Nev., June 19, 1919. I, the undersigned, do hereby offer a reward of \$25 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who stole my cabin from the Wild Rose claim, Tonopah mining camp. ADJUTANT R. B. SORENSON

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